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AMENDMENTSIN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 20 and 55 as follows:

E1 1. (Three Times Amended) A method for the prevention or treatment of inflammation or inflammatory-related disorder present in a pathological condition selected from the group consisting of infarct, arthritis, diabetes, arteriosclerosis, tumor, hepatitis, infection, and neuro-degenerate diseases, comprising administering to a mammal in need of such treatment a composition comprising total yeast ribonucleic acid and a pharmaceutically acceptable vehicle, carrier, or diluent, said composition comprising said ribonucleic acid in an amount effective to ameliorate symptoms of inflammation or inflammatory-related disorder, wherein said composition is administered so that said ribonucleic acid is present into the mammal's blood.

Sub FI 20. (Four Times Amended) A pharmaceutical composition for the treatment or the prevention of inflammation or inflammatory-related disorder, comprising total yeast ribonucleic acid and a pharmaceutically acceptable vehicle, carrier, or diluent, wherein the composition comprises more than 14.5% by weight nitrogen and more than 8.5% by weight phosphorus.

E3 55. (Amended) A method for the prevention or treatment of inflammation or inflammatory-related disorder, comprising administering to a mammal in need of such treatment a composition comprising total yeast ribonucleic acid and a pharmaceutically acceptable vehicle, carrier, or diluent, said composition comprising said ribonucleic acid in an amount effective to ameliorate symptoms of inflammation or inflammatory-related disorder,

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wherein said composition is administered so that said ribonucleic acid is present into the mammal's blood, and

wherein said ribonucleic acid has a nitrogen content of more than 14.5% by weight and a phosphorus content of more than 8,5% by weight.

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